- 1. A telephony apparatus, comprising:
- (a) a processor;
- (b) a storage attached to and controlled by the processor;
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- (c) an object oriented operating system including objects, each of the objects containing logic and data resident in the storage and controlling operations of the processor;
- (d) a display attached to the processor under the control of the object oriented operating system;
- (e) a telephony element attached to the processor;
- (f) a telephony object, including logic for interfacing the telephony element to the processor and data for storing status information associated with the telephony element in the telephony object, and representative of the telephony element under the control of the object-oriented operating system, stored in the storage and displayed on the display; and
- (g) means for controlling the telephony element by the object oriented operating system utilizing the <u>logic in the</u> telephony object to interface the telephony element to the processor by initiating a call connection, monitoring call progress, activating call features and storing status information in the data of the telephony object.

Please cancel claim 4.

- A method for enabling telephony elements on a computer system, including a processor with an attached storage, display and telephony element, comprising the steps of:
- (a) controlling operations of the processor with an object oriented operating system including objects, each of the objects containing logic and data resident in the storage;
  - (b) creating a telephony object, including logic for interfacing the telephony element to the processor and data for storing status information associated with the telephony element in the telephony object, and representative of the telephony element under the control of the object-oriented operating system, stored in the storage and displayed on the display; and
  - (c) controlling the telephony element by the object-oriented operating system utilizing logic in the telephony object to interface the telephony element to the processor by initiating a call connection, monitoring call progress, activating call features and storing status information in the data of the telephony object.

Please cancel claim 17.